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FOLLOWING UNSOURCED ARTICLE APPEARED TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, PAGE TWO TANGOV-OWNED QTE DAILY NEWS UNQTE UNDER SINGLE COLUM HEAD QTE US DIPLOMAT SACKED UNQTE AND PICTURE OF AMBASSAODOR CARTER:

QTE VAIL, COLORADO, MONDAY.

US SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER DEFENDED THE SACKING OF MR. W. BEVERLY CARTER AS US AMBASSADOR TO TANZANIA BECAUSE HE HAD ALLEGEDLY WORKED WITH TERRORISTS IN FREEING FOUR STUDENTS -- THREE AMERICANS AND ONE DUTCH -- KIDNAPPED BY ZAIRE REBELS.

DR. KISSINGER TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE IT WAS US POLICY NOT TO NEGOTIATE FOR THE RELEASE OF VICTIMS SO THAT TERRORISTS WOULD NOT BE ENCOURAGED TO KIDNAP OTHERS.

'THIS REQUIRES HEARTBREAKING DECISION,' HE SAID, 'BUT IT SAVES MORE LIVES.'

THE FOUR STUDENTS WERE SEIZED INSIDE TANZANIA ON MAY 19 BY THE OUTLAWED MARXIST POPULAR REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF THE CONGO.

MR. CARTER, A 54-YEAR-OLD BLACK DIPLOMAT, WAS IN LINE FOR APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR TO DENMARK. BUT STATE DEPARTMENT SOURCES SAID HE WOULD BE RESIGNED TO THE US INFORMATION AGENCY WITH A CUT IN SALARY AND STATUS. UNQTE LEVIN

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